

# 17 SAVED AFTER 4 DAYS IN MINE

## Starving Miners Taken from Wrecked West Virginia Shaft.

### GRIEF TURNED TO JOY

Families Waiting at Surface for Bodies to Come Up Go Into Transports of Happiness.

Hinton, W. Va., March 6.—After being imprisoned for ninety-six hours in the wrecked shaft of Layland coal mine, forty-seven of the miners who were entombed when an explosion occurred in the mine last Tuesday, were rescued alive today. At the same time members of the rescue squads who were working in the mine, declared that other entombed miners still lived and that they would be brought to the surface later.

Hope had been abandoned for the men when relief workers came upon them today. Although suffering from hunger and thirst and terror of impending death the rescued men suffered no serious injuries from their experience.

Repairs upon the fan which supplies the mine with fresh air enabled the relief squads to penetrate chambers from which they hitherto had been cut off. After clearing some of the passageways they came upon a little group of living men, huddled together. A little later others were found.

The first five survivors to reach the outside world were wildly received by members of miners' families that had gathered about the surface of the mine. The weak emaciated men, said they had been caught about 2,000 feet from the pit mouth and had walked about a mile through the main shaft before reaching the mouth of the mine.

Grief turned to joy.

The intense grief which marked the mining community since last Tuesday's disaster was turned to rejoicing when the survivors began to emerge through the mine. The grimy, weakened men were hurried to their homes or to temporary hospitals where they were fed and where they told their stories.

"The aftermath which always follows an explosion did not get to us," explained one of the survivors, and this explained how they escaped death.

"As soon as the explosion occurred, we set to work and with canvas screened off some of the chambers from the main passageway so that the fumes would be kept out. That saved our lives. We tore a little hole in the middle of the canvas and one man was kept stationed there to test the air as it came down the shaft. Finally it was found that the fumes (poisonous fumes) were getting weaker and weaker, so we knew that fresh air was being pumped into the mine."

### "SCRAPPING" IS CIVIC DUTY, SAYS BROWNLOW

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matters over. He is right. All civic organizations should scrap.

If an afraid Congress has a wrong impression with respect to local civic organizations. In their efforts to defend themselves and their interests, the organizations have abused Congress too much."

Capt. Oyster said the Federal government would own 75 per cent of the property of the district, and he added: "There certainly should be no partnership in the maintenance of this territory."

M. A. Lewis, vice president of the Retail Merchants' Association, also spoke, being one of the guests of honor.

Have War Zone Resolution.

The Piney Branch Citizens' Association offered to the Federation for its defense of a resolution, that one of the belligerent European powers had issued a danger-zone proclamation, and emphatically endorsing the United States policy of neutrality with respect to the matter.

"We believe such action should be maintained by all honorable means. War is a reality and we must view with alarm any action on the part of this government which will encourage our ships to enter the restricted waters of war, and we certainly would not wish to intimate an intention to uphold them in doing so."

The resolution was tabled, after William McK. Clayton had explained there was a citizens' association in the north-west which seriously described its boundaries as the aurora borealis on the north, the southern cross on the south, the Atlantic on the east, and the Pacific on the west.


A committee of five composed of Edward F. Callahan, William McK. Clayton, D. A. Edwards, William E. Fowler, and J. G. McGrath, was elected to cooperate with similar committees from other civic organizations in the presentation of facts before the Congressional committee scheduled to investigate the fiscal relations between the District and Federal governments.

### C. U. to Hear of War Ethics.

The Ethics of War, according to St. Thomas, will be the subject of a lecture to be delivered by the Very Rev. Edward A. Pace, D. D., in McMahon Hall, Catholic University, tomorrow afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. The lecture will be open to the public.

### Epworthians to Meet.

Plans for a conference of Epworthians at Mountain Lake Park, Md., in July, have been arranged by the committee of the Washington District Epworth League and approved by the board of control. About 300 are expected to attend the conference.



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## Flaw in Law, Iowa Becomes A Second Reno

### Divorce Granted to Man Residing in the State Less Than a Year, Judge Discovers Solons' Legal Error.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Des Moines, Iowa, March 6.—Des Moines was today made a second Reno on the divorce question, when Judge Utterback, of the equity division of the district court, issued a divorce to persons who have not lived in this State a year.

The flaw in the Iowa law was turned up here today in the trial of the suit brought by John Dardis against Mrs. Jean Dardis for divorce on statutory grounds.

The couple came to Des Moines from Waukegan, Ill., about eleven months ago. Action for a divorce was started January 20. Dardis had little trouble in proving his charges against his wife, but the attention of the court was called to the one-year residence law.

## KAISER PEACE LORD, SAYS CHANCELLOR

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of the allies, the course of Germany might have been wholly different.

"No, the English government was frank enough about that, and I never had any doubt as to what the intended policy in the event of actual war."

"You seem confident that the war will end in a complete German victory?"

No Danger of Famine.

"Absolutely. No one who understands the situation can have the slightest doubt of a complete German success. Remember, we are fighting on the enemy's soil. We have possession of Belgium; we have a large part of France and our armies are extended far into Russia. Whatever doubts there may have been in the past few months, the present situation shows that Germany's triumph is absolutely inevitable."

"But will not the possession of the sea power by the allies keep Germany from receiving outside help or supplies, while her enemies draw power from all national resources and will not this prove to be an overwhelming disadvantage to Germany?"

The big chancellor smiled and shook his head.

"That will not change the ultimate result," he said. "I know that the English hope to starve Germany. But Germany has provided for all that. You are here in our country now and you see that we are all getting enough to eat, that prices are moderate, and that nobody has any fear of starvation."

"And when will the end come, Mr. Chancellor? When will the world have peace?"

"The English say that the war will last for twenty years. They say that Germany must be completely destroyed. That is their view. Germany has no desire to destroy any nation. From the German standpoint, this is a war of pure self-defense—a war which can end only when Germany has absolutely secured full protection for her continued growth along the peaceful lines of cultural and economic development."

Counted on U. S. as Neutral.

"Think of this tremendous coalition of nations against Germany! And what have they accomplished? We have already grown prisoners in our hands. Under any circumstances Germany would be able to defend her own soil. But today Germany is fighting for her very life, and every living German knows it, and feels it. The consciousness of right and pure love of country stand behind German strength and German training, and nothing can resist German arms under such conditions."

"When Lord Haldane came to Germany to see whether there could not be a peaceful working arrangement between Germany and England I told him that if England and Germany would get together on sensible and helpful lines, Germany would be able to produce a great war. I pointed out to him that with these two great nations joined in a friendly, and with the United States acting as a friendly neutral, the peace of the whole world would be guaranteed. But with the absolute hostility of the United States, and deliberately took upon herself the responsibility of promoting and permitting this most disastrous of all wars."

An exact copy of Mr. James Creelman's interview with the Imperial Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, February 10th, 1915. (Seal) DR. ROEDIGER.

## MONTGOMERY SHERIFF SHOOTSELF IN MOUTH

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ered consciousness and immediately expressed a desire to live, but at the hospital he declared he would do the same thing again, it is said.

Dr. William R. Moulton, of Friendship Heights, the Whalen family physician, assisted by Dr. Henderson, performed the operation. The bullet was found about an inch above the left temple. It is not believed it passed through the brain. His surgeons say adverse and favorable indications are about equal.

Whalen had been sheriff about fifteen months. Friends had noticed his deep worry. His official records are said to be in excellent condition.

Told Wife He Would Die.

In several conversations he had intimated to Mrs. Whalen his desire to "end it all," so that she paid no marked attention to his threat yesterday morning. Attorney J. A. Garrett, however, believed Whalen intended to kill himself.

When the sheriff boarded the Interurban for Washington, Mr. Garrett telephoned to Transformer Station, midway between Georgetown and Rockville, to left a message to be given to Whalen, in which he told of a fictitious crime that had just been committed. Whalen started back, reached Rockville about 1:30 o'clock. He took the message in good humor and appeared to be more composed.

Sheriff Whalen has been conscientious, personally popular, and in favor in an official capacity. His home is near Bethesda, Md., a short distance from Rockville, where he has a large family. Sheriff and Mrs. Whalen have a boy 6 years old. Mrs. Whalen fainted upon hearing of her husband's act, and is under the care of physicians at Georgetown Hospital.

French to Send Army to Turkey.

Paris, March 6.—Official announcement made by the government today that an expeditionary force will be concentrated in North Africa ready to cross the Mediterranean the moment news is received of the fall of Constantinople, now regarded as only a question of time.

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Heavy continuous post; very strong and substantial in its construction; white enamel finish; neat model—and very practical design. One of the Foster Bros. make.

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Special \$4.65



### Dining Table

Genuine Quarter-sawn Golden Oak; highly polished; pedestal; deep carved claw feet. Extensible to 6 feet.


Actual \$24 Value, \$18



### Golden Oak Buffets

Quarter-sawn Golden Oak; high polish finish; deeply carved claw feet and neat carvings on cupboard doors. Graceful design.

Actual \$46 Value, \$34.50



### New Pullmans

Wood body, in rich Royal Blue Coach finish. Leather cloth and justable hood; all steel tubing handles, with enamel push-bars; rubber-tired wheels.


Actual \$15.00 Value, \$11.25



### Reed Sulkies

Full Reed body; heavy rubber tires; comfortable springs; jointed handle.

Actual \$6 Value, \$4.00



### Mission Chairs and Rockers

Very superior quality Quarter-sawn Oak. Fumed finish—and the seats upholstered in real Spanish leather of superior quality.

Strong, comfortable, serviceable pieces.

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9x12 Woven, \$3.50 Value, Special, \$2.69	3x6 Woven, 75c Value, Special, 39c	9x11.8 Stenciled, \$3.00 Value, \$1.95
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## Special Sale of Odd Chiffoniers

There are no Dressers to match—but they are of such designs as will combine well with any Suite—and are exceptional values.

Golden Oak; with two top drawers and four full-length drawers; large bevel French plate mirror; strong construction. Actual \$11 Value, \$7.50	Handsome Oak; with two top drawers and four full-length drawers; bevel French plate mirror. A very attractive piece. Actual \$20 Value, \$15.25	Dull-finished and Tuna Mahogany; a Sheraton design; rich in effect and superior in workmanship; large bevel French plate mirror. Actual \$32 Value, \$24	Rich, dark Mahogany, in a very substantial design; as well as artistic design; ornate drawers; a round level French plate mirror. Actual \$40 Value, \$30
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### Roomy Oak Rocker

Quarter-sawn finish, with wood seat; heavy panel back and strongly braced. Actual \$3.00 Value, \$1.69



### New Model Beds

Heavily White Enameled, with all square posts, and square fitting ends and cross rails; posts capped with brass knobs. Very attractive design and exceptional quality. Actual \$20 Value, \$13.50



### Collapsible Sulky

Very compact to carry—light in weight, but very strongly constructed. Rubber-tired wheels; extra good gear; complete with canvas cloth hood. Opens and closes easily and simply. Actual \$4.50



### Library Tables

Quarter Sawn Golden Oak, highly polished; carefully made; most usable size, and one of the most attractive models. Actual \$18 Value, \$11.85



### New Hall Rack

Quarter-sawn Golden Oak, polish finish; large bevel French plate mirror; strong coat hooks. Umbrella rack at side. Actual \$25 Value, \$18.75

## PLIGHT OF CITY'S POOR INCREASED BY DISEASE

### Epidemics of Pneumonia and Grippe Follow on Heels of Severe Winter.

An epidemic of pneumonia and grippe has descended upon the needy families of Washington during the past few weeks, greatly increasing the suffering of those who have just suffered through one of the hardest winters in the history of local charities. It was stated at the headquarters of the Associated Charities yesterday. During February that organization cared for nearly 500 families.

Although the winter practically is over, it was said, the unusual number of cases of March diseases among the poverty-stricken will cause an even greater demand upon the charitable organizations of the city for the next two weeks than during the entire winter.

Many men were able to support their families during the severe winter months now are compelled to call upon charities for aid because of sickness. The Associated Charities has a number of such cases. The portion of the donation week fund allotted to the Associated Charities came when most needed, it was said, but it will not certify that when the men come back from their leaves a material increase in work will await them.

## FORMER PRESIDENT SPEAKS

### Builders and Manufacturers Hold Weekly Luncheon.

The Builders and Manufacturers' Exchange held its weekly luncheon yesterday at the La Parisienne Rotisserie. Secretary Charles E. Welsh presided and introduced E. C. Graham, a former president of the exchange, who made a short address.

William F. Prather told several humorous stories, and Thomas Eagan made a few remarks.

Those present were B. K. McCloskey, C. W. Easterday, James R. Wheeler, J. M. Winnemore, Charles M. Saxeby, George E. Walker, E. J. Febray, S. D. Frazier, L. L. Reeves, Charles H. Pardee, J. Hanson Mitchell, A. P. Shanklin, Edward H. Mealy, David R. Myers, A. C. Gosford, Charles Childs, W. F. Prather, S. D. Smith, Jr., A. H. McGhan, T. L. Townsend, Thomas Eagan, E. C. Graham, and Charles E. Welsh.

## RESCUES GIRL NEAR-SUICIDE.

New York, March 6.—Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont came to the rescue of little Laura Walther, a pretty 16-year-old opera singer taken from a fashionable hotel here on a charge of attempting suicide today, and as a result the case was dismissed.

Little Miss Walther, who has appeared at the Metropolitan Opera House, and who had a prominent part in the production of the "Blue Bird," is said to have won Mrs. Belmont's friendship by helping her in her suffrage work.

## FEW U. S. PRINTERS WILL BE DISMISSED

### Officials Solve the Problem by Inviting Men to Take Vacations.

Employees of the Government Printing Office, who a few days ago were threatened with wholesale dismissals, were cheered yesterday when Public Printer Ford invited them to take a vacation.

It had been feared that a hundred or more employees would have to be dismissed because of the adjournment of Congress and consequent slackening of work, together with the circumstance that this year no hold-over work had been held in reserve for the slack season.

Following The Herald's report of the situation, government printing officials began to cast about for ways and means of preventing wholesale dismissals. Yesterday Mr. Ford conceived a plan that will relieve the situation materially.

A great number of employees have not as yet taken the leave of absence with pay to which they are entitled. Many others have taken only a portion of their vacations. A great number of these vacations are still due from the last fiscal year.

Public Printer Ford has requested these men to take their leaves at once. The order will affect more than half of the employees of the printing and will reduce the total to such extent that in all likelihood there will be but a few dismissals. It is expected that when the men come back from their leaves a material increase in work will await them.

## SIGHT DISABLED SUBMARINES.

### Norwegian Steamers See Three Steaming Slowly to Base.

Copenhagen, March 6.—Scandinavian merchant ships returning from the North Sea report having sighted two or three German submarines steaming by a heavy storm and steaming slowly toward their base.

Advances received here from Berlin say it is admitted that the German submarine warfare against English shipping has been a failure. The strain against the submarines has been so great that their underwater efforts have been ineffective.

## FLOOD THREATENS ARKANSAS.

Little Rock, March 6.—The flood in the Arkansas River, which has been threatening for several days, assumed dangerous proportions today. Scores of appeals for aid from planters and others living along the stream were received today and help has been sent them from the city and other nearby towns.

People in Argenta, across the river from Little Rock, began moving out late today.

### NOTICE

The undersigned begs to announce that he has sold a controlling interest in the Carnahan Press, and has relinquished the presidency of said company in order that he may be able to devote his entire attention to the manufacture and sale of the "Wishbone" Auto Steel Wheel, for automobiles and trucks.

Mr. William J. Wallace will be retained as manager of the company and will also act as its treasurer. Mr. E. Norval Fortson has been elected president of the company to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of the undersigned, who wishes to thank his many friends for the patronage which has made possible the phenomenal growth of the company, and as a stockholder he hopes that the company may continue to enjoy the confidence and support of its many patrons.

J. WORTH CARNAHAN.

## WASHINGTONIANS VISIT "PLUTO'S STRONGHOLD"

### Mr. and Mrs. Weschler Take Daring Tour Dismal Cave Near Hot Springs, Va.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Hot Springs, Va., March 6.—A short distance from here, near Dunn's Gap, is a little-known cave that goes by the name of Pluto's Stronghold. It is a cave with long, low labyrinthine passages that wind their way in many fashions through Cimmerian darkness. They are dismal and damp and silent save for the whirr of the wings of frightened bats that fit through the gloom and beat the whirling whirring of the earthen walls of this natural prison house.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett A. Weschler, of Washington, who are at Hot Springs on a pleasure trip, chanced to hear of this dismal cave while in conversation with residents and visitors of the Virginia resort. The Washingtonians expressed a desire to visit the dark passageways, and the residents just dared them—for they know how drear and repulsive those passageways really are.

The Washingtonians took the dare, supplied themselves with an electric pocket flashlight, a coil of rope and an unusual amount of nerve. Flashing the light the two bold adventurers entered the dark, forbidding passages. On and on they went. And all went well until they retraced their steps. When within 100 yards of the mouth of the cave, the battery failed and darkness enveloped them. They could see nothing. They could hear nothing save the whirling whirring of the bats as they sailed about their heads. Finally Mr. Weschler, groping about, discovered a faint glimmer of light, and the terrifying experience soon was brought to rapid termination.

## NO CURFEW FOR MERCHANTS.

### Fun and Lots of It to Be Rule at Dinner.

Members of the Retail Merchants' Association will meet Thursday evening at the Commercial Club for the annual dinner of the organization.

This "better acquaintance dinner," will be made up of all elements that can promote fellowship among business men. All those participating have been enjoined to come directly from the store or office. The fun is scheduled to begin at 6:30 o'clock. D. C. Graham, chairman of the dinner committee, adds that there is no limit to the length of time that it will last.

Long and set speeches will be barred and the evening will be given over entirely to amusements.

## Gospel Mission Asks Aid.

An appeal for funds to carry on the feeding of Washington's unemployed for the remainder of the bad season was made yesterday by the Gospel Mission.

The bread line has increased from 100 to 200 persons. The "table d'hôte" lunch now being served for 10 cents is doing much toward feeding hundreds of hungry men, women and children of the District.

Dacia's Skipper Sails for Home.

Havre, France, March 6.—The captain and crew of the American steamer Dacia, now a French prize at Brest, sailed for New York today on the liner Rochambeau.

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